

LUMBER AND NON-BONDED WOOD PRODUCTS

Products: Dimensional Lumber, Studs, Wood Chips, Hogged Fuel, Bark, Shavings, Sawdust, Wood Flour, Doors, and Windows

Hazardous Ingredients

Wood/Wood Dust

ACGIH TLV 5 mg/M3* ACGIH STEL 10 mg/M³ OSHA TWA 5 mg/M^{3**} OSHA STEL 10 mg/M³

- I mg/M³ for hardwood dust
- ** 2.5 mg/M3 for Western Red Cedar

Physical Characteristics/ Storage Considerations

Products are white to brown in color and less dense than water. These products are chemically stable but should not be stored in areas where temperatures exceed 212° F or where exposure to open flames or oxidizing agents such as chlorine, strong acids, or hydrogen peroxide is possible.

Fire and Explosion Data

Products may ignite if exposed to temperatures exceeding 400° F. These products are combustible and may burn if exposed to open flames, high temperature objects, or oxidizing chemicals.

Finely divided wood dust generated by sawing, sanding, grinding and similar operations can create a severe explosion hazard if the dust concentration exceeds 40 grams per cubic meter (dust cloud) and contacts an ignition source

Normal firefighting methods for wood fires such as water or CO_2 extinguishment may be used in case of fire. Toxic constituents found in wood smoke include carbon monoxide, aldehydes, and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons. Remove products and dust to open area after fire is extinguished to prevent reignition.

Health Hazards/Protective Measures

Dust Wood dust can irritate eyes and breathing passages

Some wood species may cause skin irritation or respiratory irritation on prolonged repetitive contact by susceptible persons (i.e. allergies). Some researchers have observed instances where long-term exposure to wood dust may be associated with nasal cancer. Wood dust is listed as a cancer-causing substance by the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC)

Persons should wear protective goggles and NIOSH-approved respirators for nuisance dust when working in areas where dust is generated

General Work Practice Local ventilation should be provided to remove wood dust from workspaces when feasible Users should wear protective gloves and goggles when handling or working to prevent injury. Good housekeeping practices should be used to minimize dust levels in the air and to reduce the possibility of slipping on dust collected on floor surfaces.

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